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1. Two 40 to 50-car troop trains arrived at Kuestrin-Kietz (O 53/V 66) one at 4 p.m. on 18 August and one at 4 p.m. on 19 August 1950.

The troops moved to the Infanterie Kaserne which, according to workers, had been prepared to accommodate about 3,000 men. Railroadmen said that the two trains had come from Jueterbog (N 52/E 69) and that three others were due to arrive.

2. A total of four troop trains were unloaded at the Kuestrin-Kietz railroad station at 3 p.m. on 18 August and at 3 p.m. on 19 August 1950.

Boxes and furniture were unloaded from boxcars. The troops marched to the barracks which until recently had been occupied by Volkspolizei. The trains had come from Altengrabow (N 53/Z 00) according to railroadmen. \*

\* Comment.

However, the information indicates that elements of this division were transferred to Kuestrin in mid-August 1950, probably to the barracks on the island in the Oder River. Four trains were presumably unloaded in Kuestrin-Kietz on 18 and 19 August 1950.

It is not known whether more trains followed. One northbound train carrying a component of this division passed through Cottbus on 19 August 1950. It is believed that the unit concerned in the present report, probably an AAA regiment, was moved to Kuestrin-Kietz for the protection of the Oder River crossing points.

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